

ARKANSAS
WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



**Planting Cotton/Sorghum/Soybeans/Rice*

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RELEASED: May 7, 2001 3:00 p.m. Temperatures were above normal with less than normal precipitation recorded. Much needed rainfall was recorded during the end of the week according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 15 percent very short, 52 percent short and 33 percent adequate.

CROPS: County agents are reporting plantings being greatly ahead of schedule because of dry conditions. Many locations of the state received record low precipitation during the month of April. Cotton, sorghum, soybeans and rice planting continued. Corn was being fertilized and rice was being flushed. Large quantities of armyworms were reported in wheat fields. Other activities included land preparation for spring planting of forage and harvesting hay.

LIVESTOCK: Cattle were in good condition. Producers were applying broadleaf herbicides, fertilizing and spraying for weed control in pastures.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM									
Planted	83	79	71	62					
Emerged	64	49	48	33					
COTTON									
Planted	68	20	26	23					
SOYBEANS									
Planted	32	19	15	13					
RICE									
Planted	91	82	69	66					
Emerged	64	42	39	32					
CORN									
Planted	100	99	98	96					
Emerged	93	79	89	45					
WHEAT					1	7	39	47	6
Headed	96	76	99	90					
OTH. HAY					1	13	46	35	5
PASTURE					2	14	47	34	3

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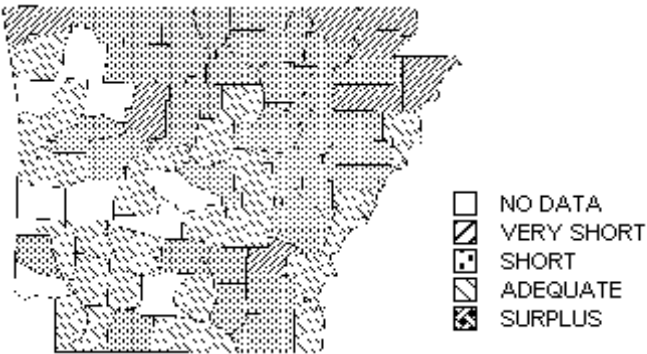
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

May 6, 2001. High pressure kept conditions drier than normal and temperatures warmer than normal. Hot Springs recorded the high temperature of 89⁰ and Fayetteville and Calico Rock reported the low temperature of 48⁰. Precipitation ranged from a high of 0.96 inch at Hope to a low of 0.00 inch at several reporting stations.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: May 6, 2001

DISTRICT AND STATION	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL				
	HIGH	LOW	DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL	WEEK ENDING MAY 6	CURRENT MAY ACCUM.	MAY NORMAL	JANUARY-APRIL	
1 Fayetteville	81	48	4	0.06	0.06	5.17	12.29	12.13
Harrison	81	55	4	0.07	0.07	5.04	9.68	13.00
2 Calico Rock	84	48	3	0.25	0.25	4.79	12.48	13.96
Evening Shade				na	0.00	4.74	0.00	15.43
Gilbert	85	50	3	0.15	0.15	5.21	12.22	13.24
Greers Ferry	84	52	4	0.00	0.00	5.28	13.99	17.00
Mountain Home	83	53	4	0.20	0.20	4.90	12.63	13.70
3 Batesville	83	56	4	0.03	0.03	4.74	11.74	16.08
Black Rock				na	0.00	4.97	0.00	16.08
Georgetown				na	0.00	5.22	0.00	18.36
Jonesboro	87	55	4	0.01	0.01	4.92	13.79	18.08
Keiser	88	57	7	0.08	0.08	4.93	13.63	18.92
Newport	86	60	4	0.00	0.00	5.22	15.89	17.40
4 Booneville	85	58	na	0.29	.29	na	15.54	na
Clarksville	84	58	5	0.22	0.22	5.00	12.77	14.72
Dardanelle	86	56	5	0.11	0.11	5.10	16.05	15.52
Ft. Smith	86	55	6	0.23	0.23	5.24	15.26	12.42
Mena	81	49	2	0.45	0.45	5.67	20.30	17.61
Ozark	83	56	3	0.30	0.30	4.90	16.69	13.89
5 Hot Springs	89	54	4	0.25	0.25	6.43	22.64	19.03
N Little Rock	87	64	8	0.14	0.14	5.24	17.69	16.79
6 Augusta				na	0.00	5.17	0.00	17.61
Marianna	86	60	5	0.02	0.02	5.24	18.51	19.32
Stuttgart	86	61	6	0.04	0.04	4.70	23.23	18.43
7 Hope	86	53	3	0.96	0.96	5.40	26.68	17.80
8 Camden	87	54	4	0.26	0.26	4.74	27.46	18.33
El Dorado	85	54	4	0.15	0.15	4.79	27.63	18.96
9 Arkansas City				na	0.00	5.04	0.00	20.81
Eudora	88	50	3	0.02	0.02	4.94	27.05	21.19
Pine Bluff	86	57	3	0.02	0.02	5.63	21.52	19.09
Rohwer	85	61	5	0.00	0.00	4.90	26.91	20.49

na = data not available

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